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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1,2,21 & 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Neumann et al (US Patent Pub No. 2002/0083735 A1). Neumann discloses a refrigerant condenser for motor vehicle air conditioning system comprising: header tubes (3,4), tube/fin block, collector(7) arranged parallel to header tube and is flow collected via individual orifices (8,9), a collection piece that is brazed or welded to the collector and serve as a holder for container (10) and tube received at a bottom part and is enclosed.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-20,23 objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

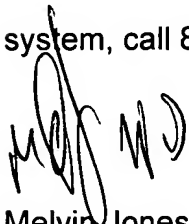
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